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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to Iowa national pollutant discharge
2 elimination system program signage and providing a penalty.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 455B.189 Discharge point signs —
2 penalty — exceptions.

3 1. A person paying an annual permit fee for an Iowa national
4 pollutant discharge elimination system program permit listed
5 under section 455B.197, subsection 3, shall post or erect a
6 conspicuous and legible sign of not less than eighteen inches
7 by twenty-four inches at all points of discharge to surface
8 waters. The location of the sign on the property of the permit
9 holder shall be as close in proximity to the point of discharge
10 into the surface water as is reasonably possible while ensuring
11 the maximum visibility from the surface water and shore.

12 2. At a minimum, the sign shall include all of the
13 following:

14 a. A statement containing the words "Iowa state permitted
15 discharge point permit no. (insert permit number). For
16 information on this discharge you can contact: (insert contact
17 information)".

18 b. The Iowa national pollutant discharge elimination system
19 program permit number issued by the department.

20 c. The name and telephone number of the permit holder which
21 shall be the business office repository of the permit holder.

22 d. The internet address of an internet site sponsored by the
23 department where more information may be obtained.

24 3. A permit holder shall periodically and reasonably
25 maintain the sign to ensure that the sign is still legible,
26 visible, and factually correct. A good faith documented effort
27 by the permit holder to maintain the sign is an affirmative
28 defense in any action relating to the unauthorized absence of
29 a sign.

30 4. A person violating a provision of this section is subject
31 to a civil penalty of not more than one hundred dollars per day
32 for each day such violation continues.

33 5. The department may grant a waiver of the requirements of
34 this section if the department determines a security concern
35 may exist due to the posting of a sign under this section.

